Legislation Governing State CIO Review of Agency IT Expansion Budget Requests

OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES REVIEW OF STATE IT BUDGET SUBMISSIONS

SECTION 6.12.(a) The State Chief Information Officer (SCIO) shall review each information technology project budget request from the various State departments, agencies, and institutions prior to the formal submission of those requests to the Governor in order to facilitate a coherent and cost-effective State investment strategy for information technology projects and systems. The SCIO's review shall:

(1) Identify the purpose of the information technology project or system.

(2) Identify whether the project or system would result in any duplication of effort across governmental agencies, including State, local, and federal agencies.

(3) Determine the completeness, timeliness, and accessibility of the data developed and used by the system.

(4) Estimate the cost and actual staffing for the project or system.

(5) Ascertain the organizational location of the system as well as the hardware and software inventories associated with the system or project.

(6) Assess the current and potential benefits that the technology investment would provide to the State.

(7) Identify any opportunities for the State to leverage federal and local support of the information technology system or project.

(8) Consider any other information pertinent to the utility, functionality, and cost-effectiveness of the project or system.

The SCIO shall submit the detailed analysis of each information technology budget request to the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM). Based on that analysis, the OSBM may require State departments, agencies, and institutions to coordinate information technology budget requests and projects to increase efficiency and eliminate duplication in the governance, organization, staffing, and functionality of information technology projects and systems across State government.

SECTION 6.12.(b) By February 1, 2008, the Office of State Budget and Management shall report to the General Assembly on its efforts and outcomes relative to increasing the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of the State's information technology projects and programs as prescribed by this section. This report shall include detailed information on initiatives to eliminate duplication.

SECTION 6.12.(c) This section does not apply to The University of North Carolina System or to the Judicial Branch.